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SUBJECT: TFCM01: CAMEROON TASK FORCE SITUATION REPORT NO. 01

Classified By: Dana Murray, Senior Watch Officer, for
Reasons 1.4 (b), (d)

CAMEROON: "ENFORCED CALM" DUE TO MILITARY PRESENCE

11. (SBU) Embassy Yaound reports most people in the capital remain indoors. Douala is mainly quiet with localized rioting and both main roads to the city are open. Post notes Cameroonian military forces are fully deployed, but might have resources to maintain order for only three more days. (Cameroon Task Force/Embassy Yaound telcon and e-mail)

DIPLOMATIC CORPS FEARS RAPID DETERIORATION

12. (C) Various ambassadors believe the current calm will deteriorate rapidly, with the French ambassador noting, "This is the beginning of the end" of President Biya's administration.

13. (SBU) Looters robbed a Dutch official residence in the diplomatic enclave. Post suspects the residence was a target of opportunity. (Cameroon Task Force/Embassy Yaound e-mail and telcon)

AIRPORTS OPEN IN YAOUND AND DOUALA

¶4. (SBU) Flights are fully booked for several days, but post has been successful in making some reservations for both official and private Amcits, according to Embassy Yaound. Both airports have plenty of fuel, but access to the airports is limited. (Cameroon Task Force/Embassy Yaound e-mail)

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EMBASSIES AND PRIVATE FIRMS AUTHORIZE DEPARTURE
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¶5. (SBU) Embassy Yaound reports other embassies are moving to authorized departure, with two U.S. businesses declaring ordered departure. (Cameroon Task Force/Embassy Yaound telcon)

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U.S. EMBASSY RESOURCES SUFFICIENT FOR ONE WEEK
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¶6. (SBU) Embassy Yaound reports there is enough fuel for one week of 24/7 generator operations. Enough food is available in the commissary to support Embassy staff for about one week. Post has no MREs, as they were sent to N'Djamena. (Cameroon Task Force/Embassy Yaound telcon)

¶7. (U) Minimize considered.
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